Bitter Contest Aroused by Attempt to End Illiteracy in State.

COURT IS THREATENED

Political Parties Split and Du Pont Family Joins in the Struggle.

and floor, where five Justices he Supreme Court were sitting. ery seat was filled, and standees d the alsles and even crowded

nis was the beginning of an organ-night that has shocked thousands Pont stock, and his family; that caused Pierre S. du Pont, head of ess affairs and take up the fight been that news of this con-

t would increase the taxes of residents of the locality.

In one school investigators found the shidren studying their geography from a map showing the United States as it was prior to the Mexican war. It was he only map in the school and the pupils and absolutely no knowledge of the extent of their own country. Of other ands they knew practically nothing.

This did not apply in Wilmington, which has maintained its own schools at a very high standard, or to a few other sections of the State, where intelligent and progressive people of influence had also spent their money in providing liean, smitary buildings and proper facilities for the sducation of their chil-

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Gov. Townsend had pledged himself better the "educational system," if it and be called such, in his inaugural ad-

ship.

'The new ideas of education, training along the lines most useful to future prospective environment, are highly gratifying. The work of our State Board of Education is most commendable. Their proposals as published in our newspapers should receive our attention and serious thought. But our standards will never be raised, nor our system materially improved until the rural

ards will never be raised, nor our system materially improved until the rural school teacher gets a salary approaching, at least, the dignity of the work in which ehe or he is engaged.

"With the teacher's wage not equal to that of common labor, we cannot expect those in charge of the work to make the improvements we desire. No man who has given thought to this dare pretend defence. The demands on the citizen of to-morrow will be greater than those on us to-day. It behooves us to make sure that our sons and daughters are equipped to cope with their generation. Better teachers with a salary in keeping with their calling, better buildings, practically consolida-

Way for Supreme Duty.

"With these as accomplished facts we "With these as accomplished facts we shall see the social centre of every community at the public school. There breathes the spirit of American institutions. There in training is the citizen of to-morrow who will fill your place here to-day and mine.

"I have no inclination to dictate the ways and means but merely to point to this supreme duty. I am sure the State board will submit interesting data upon which to effect legislation."

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With the authority of the Legislature Governor Townsend named five men members of a commission to study the conditions of the schools and make recommendations in order to "revise the old school laws, to develop an education system suited to the conditions existing in the State, providing for an improved

in the State a proper education, intend of using them as mere beasts of surden and chattels about their farms.

But the Judges refused to be intended the constitution of the Legislature and became last winter the "New School Code." Only a few changes were made in it and these properties of the new code notwithstands are precessary to prevent it from comparing with certain peculiar old laws.

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Thiladelphia. Lying on a railroad line which connects New York and Washington, and with the Delaware River to opening it to ocean trade, it has outgrown the rest of the State.

Page of State Isolated.

But five miles below Wilmington, the traveler passes into the agricultural country, a realm cut off from the big lanes of travel because of the fact that it is situated on that peninsular which lies between Chesapeake Bay and the years of Delaware Bay and the Atlantic Ocean.

The only raifroad running into Delamit that passes through Dover and into its southeastern Maryland; further development of the country having been bitterly opposed by many old natives who "didn't want no outsiders coming in." So about ninety per cent, or upward of the territory of the State has been kept to this day in a condition which vistally isolates it from the rest of the United States.

It is in that part of the State that is farthest removed that the opposition to the new law is strongest. That is in the county of Sussex. Kent county, situated is most strongly in favor of the reforms.

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Another cry which many farmers raised against the new law was the compulsory education. Under the old system the children were required to attend school but five months a year at the most and if the trustees saw fit they might reduce this term to three months. They frequently reduced it to three months so that they might save a little in the way of expenses and thereby save a few cents taxation.

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The section of the old law providing for this reads as follows (It is Section 41 of the Truancy Law and contained in the Revised Code of Delaware of 1915): "Every parent, guardian or other person in this State having control of a child or children between the ages of seven and fourteen years shall be required to send such child or children to a day school in which the common English branches are taught; and such child or children shall attend such school continuously for at least five months each year during the time in which the public schools in their respective districts shall be in session, beginning not less than one month after the opening of said school, unless such child or children shall be excused from attendance by a majority of the commissioners of the school district which the parent, guardian or other person resides, upon the presentation to said commissioners. child or children are brevented from at-tendance upon school or application to study by mental, physical or other ur-gent reasons, and such excuse must be countersigned by the county superinten-dent of the county in which such dis-trict is located, but the urgent reasons shall be strictly construed and shall not permit of irregular attendance.

"Each school district shall have power

the school system of their State had sunk so low that it would take the very best experts of the country to bring it up to date.

These commissioners set out to look for such expert aid and finally obtained the services of Dr. Abraham Flexner and Dr. Frank P. Bachman, both of the General Education Board of New York State.

Doctors Flexner and Bachman after a phorough investigation made a report which was accompanied by a plan for a new school system.

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Gross Negligence Charged Committee in Handling Government Funds.

AFFAIRS IN CONFUSION

Negotiable Papers Found on Floor With Unpaid Bills Scattered About.

Washington, Oct. 20.—The Commit-tee on Public Information, headed by George Creel, cost the Government about 36,000,000 on the face of its chaotic records, according to official re-ports now before Congress, which say the committee's affairs cannot be wound

fluences. "Gas" Addicks, it may be recalled, was desirous of entering the United States Senate, and he decided

pay some accounts approved by Chairman Creel.

Mr. Elisworth said he found a balance of about \$1,500,000 left out of the \$5,650,000 from President Wilson's special war fund and \$1,250,000 provided by Congress included in the committee's assets. Unpaid bills aggregating several hundred thousands of dollars were still in the committee's files, he said, some of them many months unacted upon. There were also checks and money orders payable to the committee aggregating \$76,000 dated last spring upon which collections had not been attempted, and Elisworth said he also found "several thousands worth of checks thrown in file cases," without any effort to realize on them.

Other negotiable papers were found in desk trays * * and on the floor" in the office of E. H. Hobbs, former disbursing officer and business manager of the committee, and additional funds in New York and Washington banks and in Russian banks captured by the Bolshevik!, the report said. One item of \$10,000 in the hands of a New York auctioneer was listed "several thousand dollars with an army officer in Rumania," and other funds left with Consuls in Russia and France.

"From the above statement of facts."

one of the forms of opposition suggested to the farmers by the politicians is that they boycott the new schools; that they keep their children away and defy the law to come after them. The demagogues tell them that if they are arrested the local jury will acquit them. Although the people of Delaware are not violent as a general rule many farmers are now declaring that they will shoot any man who tries to take their children away to school. They declare the new educational system is "revolutionary;" that it violates the constitution by interfering with their personal affairs. "Our people fought for less cause than this in the Revolution," is a comment made at protest meetings.

Another feature of the controversy is



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brated in the Unity Club, Bedford avenue, last night, when it was announced that 100 men and women had pledged themselves to raise \$1,000 each by December 1 to cover the estimated deficit of the organization.

The federation began work October 21, 1909. More than 1,000 persons were present at the exercises. The speakers were Justice Edward Lazaneky of the Supreme Court, who was president in 1917 and 1918; Nathan S. Jonas, president from 1910 to 1913; Benjamin H. Namm, who headed the organization from 1914 to 1916, and Magistrate Alexander H. Geismar, the present head of the federation.

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Defence."

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"Upon my refusal to pay same without proper investigation." he added, "they referred their case to the White House. After careful investigation I did not feel warranted in approving it, as it did not appear to be a just one, and it was forwarded to the auditor for the State and other departments with the reasons why I did not approve it, even though approved by Mr. Creel and also the chief of the division of films."

DEPORTATION BILL READY FOR SENATE

Palmer Urges Speedy Passage

WASRINGTON, Oct. 30 .- At the request

The bill affects four women and about 500 men now interned as dangerous allens at Camp Ogelthorpe, Georgia, and Fort Douglas, Utah, according to Attor-

"Included among those interned," the Attorney-General wrote, "are revolu-tionary radicals, convicted criminals, in-dividuals with long police records, anti-American propagandists and individuals known to be, or suspected of being, en-

character is passed it will become neces-sary on the ratification of the treaty of peace to set free all of these dangerous individuals."

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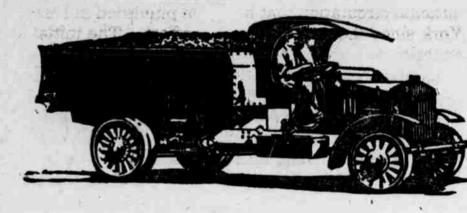
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